

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION
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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for operating a track management system, said method comprising the steps of:

- 5 providing a COTS application server capable of receiving data in a Java Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol; generating data representing target information, and communicating said data to said COTS application server in the form of a
- 10 Java Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol;
- providing a plurality of computer processing arrangements, each of which is capable of processing Java;
- 15 in said application server, processing said J2EE compliant data with a plurality of Enterprise Java Beans software components, establishing those of said computer processing arrangements in which said data is
- 20 processed;
- providing said J2EE compliant data to the selected ones of said computer processing arrangements, for thereby generating processed data; and
- 25 providing said processed data to a user.

2. A method for operating a track management system, said method comprising the steps of:

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5 providing a COTS application server arrangement capable of receiving data in a Java Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol;

10 generating data representing target information, and communicating said data to said COTS application server in the form of a Java Two Enterprise Edition (J2EE) compliant protocol;

15 providing a computer processing arrangement which is capable of processing J2EE compliant software components;

20 in said application server arrangement, processing said J2EE compliant data with one of (a) an Enterprise Java Bean software component arrangement and (b) a Corba software component arrangement to establish those of said computer processing arrangements in which said data is processed;

25 providing said J2EE compliant data to the selected ones of said computer processing arrangements, for thereby generating processed data; and

providing said processed data to a user.